Period taken by the Team to Assess the Overcharged amount

2104. DR. (SMT.) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the team appointed by his Ministry to work out the amount overcharged by drug dompanies in respect of medicines, whose cases were decided by Supreme Court confined recovery upto 1983 only;

(b) if so, what is the justification and what were the directives of Supreme Court in this regard; and

(c) what are the details of judgement of Supreme Court under which the team confined the recovery upto 1983 only?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The Team is required to make assessment of the overcharged amounts for the entire period.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

REFERENCE TO FORMATION OF A JANATA DAL GROUP BY SOME MEMBERS OF THE JANATA PARTY

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I am on a point of order. Have you been informed by those Members of the Janata Party who have left the Party, that they are going to from another group in view of the Janata Dal . . . (*Interruptions*) . . . Mr. Indubhai Patel wrote to you a letter (*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: You come and meet me in my room. if there is anything like this, I will bring it to the notice of the House. I have not been approached by any Member that he is leaving the Janata Pary.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: But Mr. Vishwanath Pratap Singh

Mr. CHAIRMAN: Don't bring in a Member of the other House.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

CORRECTING THE REPLY GIVEN IN THE RAJYA SABHA ON THE 27th FEBRUARY, 1989 TO STARRED QUESTION 68 REGARDING EXPLORATION OF HYDROCARBONS IN THE COUNTRY

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): Sir, I invite attention to the reply given to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 68 on 27.2.1989 regarding Exploration of Hydrocarbons in the Country. In part (d) of the reply, inadvertently, information in respect of block MN-OS-I has been shown twice. The correct position is as follows:—

Name of Company	Name of Block	Progress made upto January, 1989
Chevron-Texaco	MN-OS-I	Seismic data acquired. 495 lkm.

Accordingly, the following may be treated as deleted from the reply:

"MN-OS-I	The seismic survey for 500 kms was done in June, 1988 and at present the processing and interpretation is in progress."

The inconvenience caused is regretted.